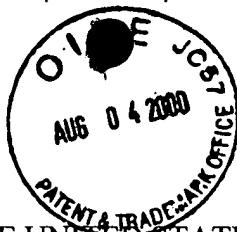


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Application no.: 08/995,108

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed April 17, 2000  
finally rejecting claims 8 - 27

Any necessary extension of time for filing this Notice of Appeal is respectfully requested.

A response to the final rejection is being filed with this Notice of Appeal  
 An oral hearing will be requested in a separate paper after receipt of the Examiner's Answer to Appellants' Brief.

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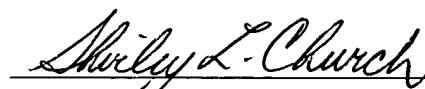
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